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For: OPTICAL INTERCONNECT IN HIGH-

SPEED MEMORY SYSTEMS

Examiner: D. D. Tran

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the rejection dated February 5, 2008. Claims 1-9, 12, 14-25, 27-36, 38, 40, 44-53, 56, 58-69, 71-82, 84, 88-89, 91, 95, 97-98, 100-108, 111-113, 115, 117-120, 122, 126-133, 136-140, 142-145, 147, and 151-163 are pending in the application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this and other applications.

Claims 1-5, 12, 14, 27-29, 31, 35, 44, 73, 75-76, 79, 89, 91, 95, 97-98, 100-104, 117, 120, 126-129, 142, and 145 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ozeki et al. (US 6,651,139) in view of Kai et al. (US 6,782,017). This rejection is respectfully